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It's a girl!

Carbondale welcomes first baby

Carbondale area's first baby of 1984 and the winner of the NEWS' 21st annual first baby contest is Jillian Rae Zarnowski, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Michael Zarnowski, RD 2, Union Dale.

Jillian made her debut into the

world on January 1 at 12:30 a.m. at St. Joseph's Hospital. She weighed in at 7 pounds 12 ounces and was 20 inches long. Jillian joins a brother, Kevin, who is six years old.

Mr. Zarnowski is employed at Marber, Inc., Dundaff Street,

Carbondale. The parents of the newborn are entitled to a variety of gifts being offered by twenty-eight Carbondale area merchants. The NEWS congratulates the Zarnowskis and extends best wishes for 1984.



Charlotte Moro inaugurated

By MIKE PETROVSKY

After thanking the crowd of supporters and well-wishers which jammed city council chambers and overflowed into the hallway to celebrate her inauguration Monday, January 2, Charlotte Moro, Carbondale's first-ever woman mayor, appointed Francis Dottle as police chief and John Kearney as the city's finance director.

Kearney has been a director of the Carbondale Area School Board and Democratic city chairman, and Mrs. Moro feels he has the qualifications and the experience for the job. She pledged to woo state and federal governments for loans and grants to help the city out with its money problems. "With my friend State Senator Robert Mellow being the first one I'll corner," Senator Mellow was in attendance at Monday's ceremony.

"I won't say the city is in bad shape," Mrs. Moro said, "it's in very, very bad shape."

Mrs. Moro said she would take on some of the duties of the city administrator until she can find someone who would meet the qualifications for the job, stating that applications she has received were not satisfactory for such a responsible, important city position.

However, the new mayor's appointments and the city's financial woes were overshadowed by the pomp and circumstance of Monday's proceedings which began at 12:15 p.m. when Judge James Munley administered the oath of office to city councilmen. John Moran replaced Mrs. Moro on the council and is the only new face among those who took the oath. Re-elected were Albert Calzola, Andrew Leo, Frank Grecco Jr. and Donald McDonough. Mrs. Moro was then sworn in, making Carbondale history, as the first female ever elected to the city's highest office. Her short, impromptu remarks were well-received by the audience.



Rev. Patrick Peyton to come to Carbondale Jan. 7

Rev. Patrick Peyton, C.S.C., the famous Family Rosary priest and Family TV, radio and movie priest, who started as the pastor at St. Peter's Cathedral in Scranton in 1928, on arrival from his native Ireland, and rose to international prominence, will return to the area and to the Cathedral to celebrate the 12:15 p.m. Mass on his 75th birthday, Monday, January 9, 1984.

In observance of Father Peyton's homecoming, his 75th birthday and the publication of his biography by Jeanne Groszinski Arnold, The Guild Studios of the Diocese of Scranton and Allentown will host a series of autographing parties for Father Peyton.

Mayor James B. McNulty of Scranton will receive Father Peyton at Scranton City Hall, Wednesday, January 4th, at 11:30 a.m. to welcome home this distinguished Scrantonian. Father will be presented with the key to the City, and the Mayor will proclaim Monday, January 9, Father's 75th birthday as Father Peyton Day.

On Saturday, January 7, Father

will be at the Carbondale Guild Studio from 12:30 a.m. - 12 noon. Frank Maher, general manager of the Guild has announced that there will be birthday cake, candles and refreshments at all autographing parties, and all are invited. The book describes the story behind the legend of the man whose devotion to Mary, the Mother of Christ, and the rosary led him to organize mammoth rosary crusades drawing thousands and millions all over the world, and organize radio and television specials with big-name Hollywood stars, all for the purpose of promoting the family rosary as a means of holiness and peace.

Among the famous radio, TV and movie stars who have appeared in Father Peyton's productions without charge are: Maureen O'Hara, Irene Dunne, Charles Boyer, Ethel Barrymore, Justin Terry, Bob Newhart, Pat O'Brien, Frank Sinatra, Jack Haley, Rosalind Russell, Jason Miller, Danny

as his hometown. He was last in Scranton for the installation of the Most Rev. John J. O'Connor, D.D., as new Bishop of the Scranton Diocese. The prelate, long an admirer of Father Peyton's work, specially invited him for the installation, and asked him to join in the celebration of the installation mass in the same house of worship where he once was a janitor.

The book recounts numerous stories of how he got famous persons to aid his work over the years. For instance, it tells of his show business coup in getting princess Grace of Monaco to appear in one of his television productions shortly before the American-born former movie star suffered a fatal stroke.

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Thomas, Ricardo Montalban, Dennis Day, Ray Bolger, and Bing Crosby. The first rosary Crusade in the United States was held in Scranton in 1949. Frank Maher, general manager of the Guild Studio is chairman of the closing rally held on the grounds of St. Ann's Monastery for 75,000 people.

Father Peyton's motto "The Family that Prays Together, Stays Together," is recognized by the Oxford University Press as an authentic proverb. Father Peyton received a letter from Pope John Paul II when the Pope was Bishop of Cracow, Poland. The late pope's chaplain commended Father Peyton.

After becoming Pope John Paul II, he further urged him to continue his apostolate. After Father Peyton's visit to Rome, the Holy Father began the custom of reciting the rosary in Latin over the Vatican Radio the first Saturday of every month.

Lapera appointment fails in 3-3 council decision

By MIKE PETROVSKY

A special meeting was called by Mayor Fred Mancuso on Thursday, December 28, for the sole purpose of reappointing Bernard Lapera to the Carbondale Housing Authority. There were six council members present and their vote resulted in a 3-3 tie thus denying Lapera's reappointment. Councilman Abe Calzola did not attend the special meeting. Lapera's was the last of Mayor Mancuso's "11th-hour" appointments to be decided on by council. Last month he succeeded in appointing Donald Brownell to the Housing Authority and Patrick Whittington and John Andrews to the recreation commission. However, the mayor's third and final attempt to reappoint

Lapera - fell one vote short of putting him back on the board for another five-year term. Lapera's term expired April 18, 1983. It will now be up to the new mayor, Charlotte Moro, to appoint someone to the vacancy. Mrs. Moro has already indicated that "someone" to be Anthony Perri. Councilman Frank Grecco Jr., Andrew Leo and Michael Tolercio voted "yes" to reappoint Lapera while Charlotte Moro and councilmen Donald McDonough and James McMyne voted against the reappointment. McMyne's "no" vote came as somewhat of a surprise considering he voted in favor of Brownell and John Leo, the Mancuso's other two appointments to the Housing Authority in contrast, councilman Tolercio voted against those appointments.

Historical Society needed sign for \$8,600 grant; high school students come to their rescue

When the Carbondale Historical Society and Museum recently was awarded a matching funds grant in the amount of \$8600 from the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission for the stabilization of Carbondale City Hall and Courthouse, one of the conditions imposed on the group by the state was the construction of a project sign to explain funding. While a sign is certainly a valid requirement, the several hundred dollars it would cost posed a problem - it took money away from the actual purpose of the project - repairs to city hall. Although \$12,200 is a lot of money, city hall has costly repairs to be done and every dollar saved is important.

When Joseph Dickey of the North Vo-Tech Building Trades Program heard about the problems facing the Historical Society, he did something about it. His students made a 4x8 foot sign. Dickey took it over to the school's Drafting class where, under the direction of Gary Boon, the lettering was applied. It then went back to Dickey's class for painting and construction of legs. Then it was all ready to be delivered. Last Wednesday, under the direction of Dickey and S. Robert Powell, Historical Society president, the sign was installed in front of City Hall.

Students involved are from Carbondale, Tom Tyler, Frank Mulinaro, Ted Moyle, and T. J. Mascaro. The others who worked on the project were Vince Sardo, John Kollar, Joe Wojcik, and Joe Kocho. This wasn't the first time the Building Trades class has gotten involved with the community organizations. Besides doing work for the Vo-Tech school itself, they've built a new wall for the lion's den, some new sidewalks, and a swimming pool for the monkeys at Scranton's Nay Aug Zoo.

The group also helped out at the Lackawanna County Courthouse by building and installing over 30 bookcases for the law library. The attorneys had donated the cost of the materials and the students completed the project.

This was the second year for a very special undertaking. The students devoted several days to making toys for local children, giving their workshop the appearance of a small factory as rows of jacks, space shuttles, and trains took up every available inch of space. "Naturally, they were all made of wood," The Tops for Toys program handled the distribution. "It's really great," says Dickey. "We can help out the community in a very important way, and the students are learning different aspects of the trade. It works out perfectly for everybody."

STUDENTS FROM THE NORTH VO-TECH'S BUILDING TRADES PROGRAM helped out the Carbondale Historical Society and Museum last week by constructing a project sign for the work which the Society is undertaking on City Hall. Here the students are shown installing the 4x8 foot sign in front of the building.



SWEARING IN CEREMONIES for recently elected members of Carbondale City Council were conducted by Judge James Munley on Monday, January 2, at 12:15 p.m. in City Council Chambers. Pictured from left to right are: Judge Munley, Albert Calzola, John Moran, Andrew Leo, Frank Grecco Jr., and Donald McDonough. (NEWS photo by Mike Petrovsky)

Kearney appointed finance director

Carbondale Mayor Charlotte Moro wasted no time in attending to her official duties last Monday. Within minutes after being sworn in as Carbondale's first woman mayor, she appointed John Kearney as the city's finance director.

The position of finance director had been vacant since Joseph Masco left that job to accept the position of city manager. Masco performed the duties of both finance director and city manager until last week when he was laid off by Mayor Fred Mancuso.

By furloughing Masco, Mancuso enabled him to collect unemployment benefits and avoided an impending resignation, since Masco had stated that he didn't think he could work for Moro.

Kearney completed advanced courses in accounting at Broomfield Tech, Brighton, and completed courses in accounting at Temple University. He was controller for Cingular Manufacturing Co., Scranton for three years, and was purchaser for Hendrick Marmite.

He recently served as a director of the Carbondale Area School District and is a former city assessor. Kearney is also a former city Democratic chairman.

Kearney is married to the former Rosemary Moran and resides at 12 9th Avenue. The Kearneys have three children, Kathleen, Marjorie, and Robert.